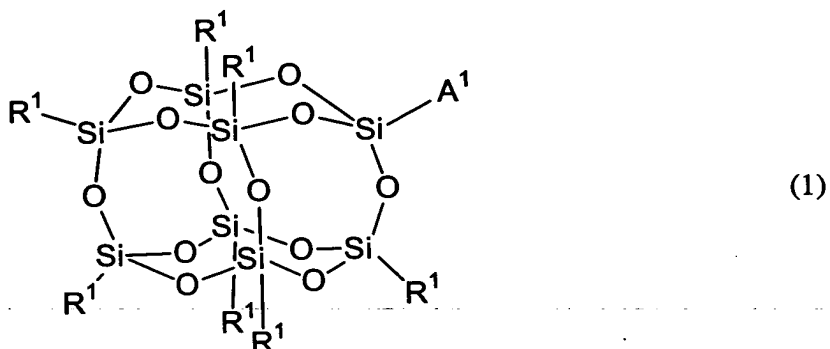


What is claimed is:

1. A silicon compound represented by Formula (1):



in Formula (1), seven R¹'s are groups independently selected  
 5 respectively from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl,  
 substituted or non-substituted aryl and substituted or non-  
 substituted arylalkyl; A¹ is an organic group substituted with  
 a halogenated sulfonyl group; in this alkyl, optional hydrogen  
 may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH₂- may be  
 10 substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or  
 cycloalkenylene; and in alkylene in this arylalkyl, optional  
 hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH₂-  
 may be substituted with -O- or -CH=CH-.

- 15 2. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein  
 seven R¹'s in Formula (1) are groups independently selected  
 respectively from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl  
 having a carbon number of 1 to 45, substituted or non-  
 substituted aryl and substituted or non-substituted arylalkyl;  
 20 in this alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 45, optional

hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  may be substituted with  $\text{-O-}$ ,  $\text{-CH=CH-}$ , cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene; and

5 in alkylene in this arylalkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  may be substituted with  $\text{-O-}$  or  $\text{-CH=CH-}$ .

3. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven  $\text{R}^1$ 's in Formula (1) are groups independently selected  
10 respectively from the group consisting of hydrogen and alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 30; and in the alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 30, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  may be substituted with  $\text{-O-}$  or cycloalkylene.

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4. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven  $\text{R}^1$ 's in Formula (1) are groups independently selected respectively from the group consisting of alkenyl having a carbon number of 1 to 20 and a group in which optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  is  
20 substituted with cycloalkenylene in alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 20; in the alkenyl having a carbon number of 1 to 20, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  may be substituted with  $\text{-O-}$  or cycloalkylene; and  
25 in the group in which optional  $\text{-CH}_2\text{-}$  is substituted with cycloalkenylene in alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 20,

optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine.

5. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven R<sup>1</sup>'s in Formula (1) are groups independently selected  
5 respectively from the group consisting of naphthyl and phenyl in which optional hydrogen may be substituted with halogen or alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 10;  
in this alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 10, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>-  
10 may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or phenylene.

6. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven R<sup>1</sup>'s in Formula (1) are groups independently selected  
15 respectively from the group consisting of phenylalkyls in which optional hydrogen on a benzene ring may be substituted with halogen or alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 12;  
in this alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 12, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>-  
20 may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or phenylene; and  
in alkylene in the phenylalkyl, which has a carbon number of 1 to 12, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O- or -CH=CH-.

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7. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein

seven R<sup>1</sup>'s in Formula (1) are groups independently selected respectively from the group consisting of alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, phenyl, non-substituted naphthyl and phenylalkyl;

5 in the alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene;

in the phenyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with  
10 halogen, methyl or methoxy;

in phenyl in the phenylalkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 4, ethenyl or methoxy;

in alkylene in the phenylalkyl, it has a carbon number of 1 to  
15 8, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O- or -CH=CH-.

8. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven R<sup>1</sup>'s in Formula (1) are one group selected from the group consisting of alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, phenyl,  
20 non-substituted naphthyl and phenylalkyl;

in the alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene;

25 in the phenyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with halogen, methyl or methoxy;

in phenyl in the phenylalkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 4, ethenyl or methoxy;

in alkylene in the phenylalkyl, it has a carbon number of 1 to 8, and optional  $-CH_2-$  may be substituted with  $-O-$  or  $-CH=CH-$ .

9. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven  $R^1$ 's in Formula (1) are one group selected from the group consisting of phenyl, naphthyl and phenylalkyl;

10 in the phenyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with halogen, methyl or methoxy;

in phenyl in the phenylalkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 4, ethenyl or methoxy;

15 in alkylene in the phenylalkyl, it has a carbon number of 1 to 8, and optional  $-CH_2-$  may be substituted with  $-O-$ .

10. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven  $R^1$ 's in Formula (1) are ethyl, 2-methylpropyl, 2,4,4-trimethylpentyl, 3,3,3-trifluoropropyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl or non-substituted phenyl.

11. The silicon compound as described in claim 1, wherein seven  $R^1$ 's in Formula (1) are non-substituted phenyl.

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12. The silicon compound as described in any of claims 1 to

11, wherein A<sup>1</sup> in Formula (1) described in claim 1 is a group represented by Formula (2):

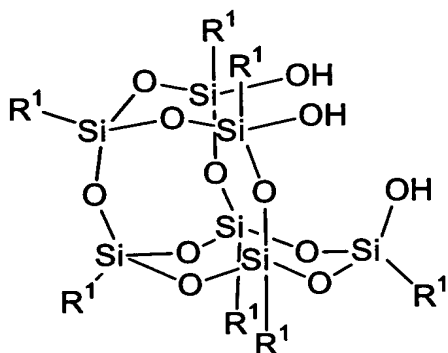


in Formula (2), X is halogen; R<sup>2</sup> is alkyl having a carbon  
 5 number of 1 to 3; a is an integer of 0 to 2; Z<sup>1</sup> is a single  
 bond or alkylene having a carbon number of 1 to 10; in this  
 alkylene having a carbon number of 1 to 10, optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may  
 be substituted with -O-, -COO- or -OCO-; and both of the  
 bonding positions of halogenated sulfonyl and R<sup>2</sup> on a benzene  
 10 ring are optional positions.

13. The silicon compound as described in claim 12, wherein Z<sup>1</sup>  
 in Formula (2) is Z<sup>2</sup>-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; Z<sup>2</sup> is a single bond or alkylene  
 having a carbon number of 1 to 8, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- in this  
 15 alkylene may be substituted with -O-, -COO- or -OCO-.

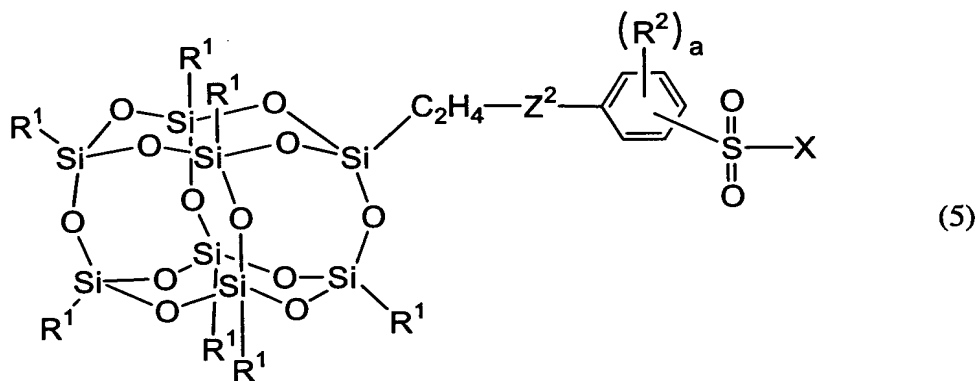
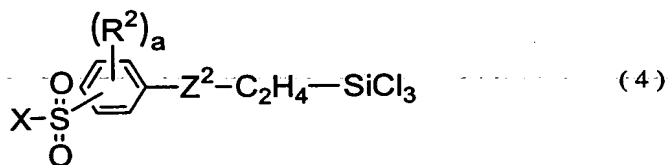
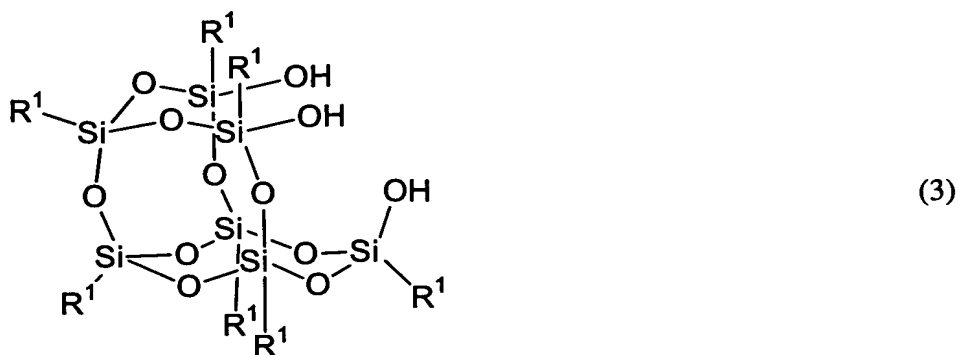
14. The silicon compound as described in claim 12, wherein in  
 Formula (2), Z<sup>1</sup> is -C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; X is chlorine or bromine; and a is 0.

20 15. A production process for the silicon compound represented  
 by Formula (1) as described in claim 1, characterized by  
 reacting a compound represented by Formula (3) with  
 trichlorosilane having a halogenated sulfonyl group:



in Formula (3), seven R<sup>1</sup>'s are groups independently selected respectively from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted or non-substituted aryl and substituted or non-substituted arylalkyl; in this alkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene; and in alkylene in the arylalkyl, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O- or -CH=CH-.

16. A production process for a silicon compound represented by Formula (5), characterized by reacting a compound represented by Formula (3) with a compound represented by Formula (4):



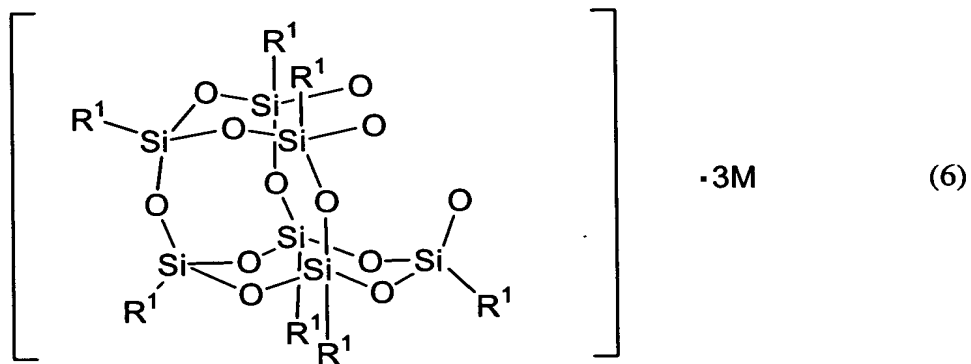
wherein R<sup>1</sup> in Formula (3) is one group selected from the group consisting of alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, phenyl, non-substituted naphthyl and phenylalkyl; in the alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional -CH<sub>2</sub>- may be substituted with -O-, -CH=CH-, cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene; optional hydrogen in the phenyl may be substituted with halogen, methyl or methoxy; in the phenylalkyl, optional hydrogen on a benzene ring may be



substituted with fluorine, alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 4, ethenyl or methoxy, and optional  $-\text{CH}_2-$  in alkylene may be substituted with  $-\text{O}-$ ;  $\text{R}^1$  in Formula (5) has the same meaning as that of  $\text{R}^1$  in Formula (3);

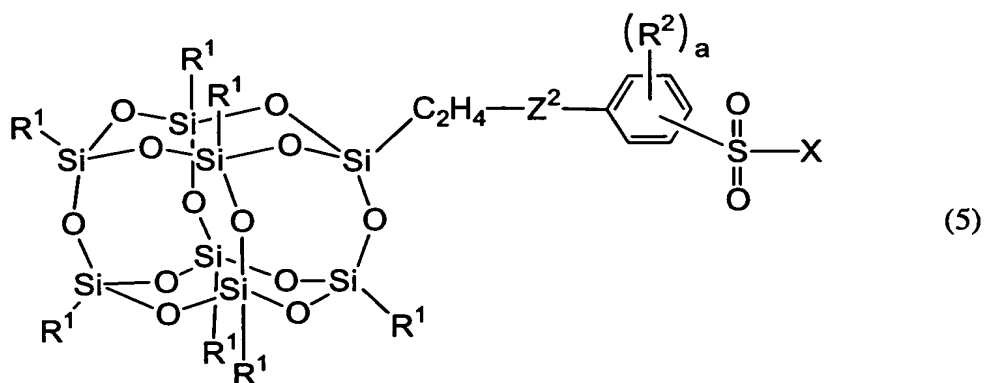
5 in Formula (4),  $\text{X}$  is halogen;  $\text{R}^2$  is alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 3;  $a$  is an integer of 0 to 2;  $\text{Z}^2$  is a single bond or alkylene having 1 to 8 carbon atoms; in this alkylene having a carbon number of 1 to 8, optional  $-\text{CH}_2-$  may be substituted with  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{COO}-$  or  $-\text{OCO}-$ ; both of the bonding  
10 positions of halogenated sulfonyl and  $\text{R}^2$  on a benzene ring are optional positions; and the meanings of  $\text{X}$ ,  $\text{R}^2$ , and  $\text{Z}^2$  in Formula (5) and the bonding positions of halogenated sulfonyl and  $\text{R}^2$  on a benzene ring are the same as those in Formula (4).

15 17. A production process for the silicon compound represented by Formula (1) as described in claim 1, characterized by reacting a compound represented by Formula (6) with trichlorosilane having a halogenated sulfonyl group:



20 in Formula (6), seven  $\text{R}^1$ 's are groups independently selected





in Formula (6),  $R^1$  is one group selected from the group consisting of alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 8, phenyl, non-substituted naphthyl and phenylalkyl; M is a monovalent alkali metal atom; in the alkyl having a carbon number of 1 to 5 8, optional hydrogen may be substituted with fluorine, and optional  $-CH_2-$  may be substituted with  $-O-$ ,  $-CH=CH-$ , cycloalkylene or cycloalkenylene; optional hydrogen in the phenyl may be substituted with halogen, methyl or methoxy; in the phenylalkyl, optional hydrogen on a benzene ring may be substituted with fluorine, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, ethenyl or methoxy, and optional  $-CH_2-$  in alkylene may be substituted with  $-O-$ ;

$R^1$  in Formula (5) has the same meaning as that of  $R^1$  in Formula (6);

15 in Formula (4), X is halogen;  $R^2$  is alkyl having 1 to 3 carbon atoms; a is an integer of 0 to 2;  $Z^2$  is a single bond or alkylene having a carbon number of 1 to 8; in the alkylene having a carbon number of 1 to 8, optional  $-CH_2-$  may be substituted with  $-O-$ ,  $-COO-$  or  $-OCO-$ ; both of the bonding positions of halogenated sulfonyl and  $R^2$  on a benzene ring are

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optional positions; and

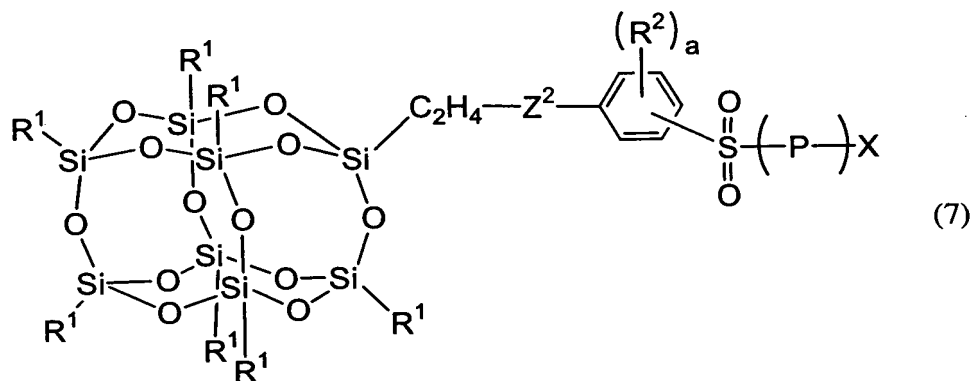
the meanings of X, R<sup>2</sup>, and Z<sup>2</sup> in Formula (5) and the bonding positions of halogenated sulfonyl and R<sup>2</sup> on a benzene ring are the same as those in Formula (4).

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19. A polymer obtained by polymerizing a vinyl base monomer using the silicon compound represented by Formula (1) as described in claim 1 as an initiator and a transition metal complex as a catalyst.

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20. A polymer represented by Formula (7) obtained by polymerizing a vinyl base monomer using the silicon compound represented by Formula (1) as described in claim 18 as an initiator and a transition metal complex as a catalyst:



15 the meanings of R<sup>1</sup>, Z<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, a and X in Formula (7) and the bonding positions of halogenated sulfonyl and R<sup>2</sup> on a benzene ring are the same as those in Formula (6) as described in claim 18, and P is a vinyl base polymer.

21. The polymer as described in claim 19 or 20, wherein the vinyl base monomer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a (meth)acrylic acid derivative and a styrene derivative.

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22. The polymer as described in claim 19 or 20, wherein the vinyl base monomer is at least one selected from the group consisting of the (meth)acrylic acid derivatives.

10 23. A polymerization process for a vinyl base monomer characterized by using the silicon compound represented by Formula (1) as described in claim 1 as an initiator and using a transition metal complex as a catalyst.

15 24. A production process for the polymer represented by Formula (7) as described in claim 20, characterized by polymerizing a vinyl base monomer using the compound represented by Formula (5) as described in claim 18 as an initiator and using a transition metal complex as a catalyst.